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NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

Bert Huffman Escapes Sudden Death By a Narrow Margin on the Fulton Street Crossing of New York Central Railway — Badly Injured — Wrecked Wagon.

Bert Huffman, residing on the farm formerly owned by George Newcomer, northwest of town, had a very narrow escape from sudden death last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Huffman was driving on Fulton street with an empty gravel box; just before driving on to the N. Y. C. Ry. tracks he spoke to friends who were sitting in autos on the street north of the tracks; he had driven on to the tracks before he was aware of the approaching train. Both gates were straight up, and one shoulder badly approaching train, he had no warning of the danger until he was on the tracks. He hastened his team and succeeded in getting the wagon off from the track before the engine of east-bound train No. 10 struck his wagon.

The engine struck the back part of the wagon, the force of the impact throwing Mr. Huffman out, and also knocking one of the horses over on its side. The wagon was completely wrecked and the track was strewn with splinters for several rods. Mr. Huffman scrambled to his feet and endeavored to reach his team, but was unable to get to them before they started on a dead run south on Fulton street, where they were finally stopped. Mr. Huffman was taken in an auto to the office of Dr. Bennett, who attended to his injuries; he had one shoulder badly dislocated and a severe contusion on his forehead, besides a number of other bruises, but nothing serious. It was found necessary to administer an anesthetic to Mr. Huffman before his shoulder could be set in place. After the doctor had dressed his wounds he was taken to his home by the Edgar & Van Rensselaer ambulance.

Why the gates were not lowered we are not able to say; that is something for the railway company to determine after due investigation. Mr. Huffman is to be congratulated with having escaped with his life. The Fulton street crossing has proven a death trap for a number of persons, and the council has repeatedly petitioned for more and better safeguards of human life at this crossing. At one time a subway was suggested, but when plans and specifications came back from the offices of the engineers of the company, that portion of the cost which the village would have to pay was found to be as large as to make it impossible for the village to meet it. A little more than a year ago the management of the railroad promised to install at the Fulton street crossing an electric alarm signal that would sound a bell in place and working Saturday afternoon it is not likely that the accident would have occurred. The noise of traffic on the street Saturday afternoon completely drowned the noise of the approaching train. The electric alarm, properly constructed and installed, would have made itself heard above the confusion of the Saturday afternoon traffic.

The accident means more to Mr. Huffman in the way of damage than money can compensate him for, and his loss of time becomes an economic loss to the community in these days when every individual worker counts. Railroads are necessary and a fact of prime importance in our economic system; but this does not excuse them from taking every possible precaution to protect lives and property against loss from their operation.

BUY WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

FREIGHT RATES

The Director General of Railroads announces the appointment, by the Regional Directors, of the following Traffic Committees which will deal in the respective territories with all questions of freight rates arising under General Order No. 26:

Freight Traffic Committee, Eastern Territory—B. Campbell, Chairman, 143 Liberty St., New York City.

New England District Freight Committee—L. H. Kentfield, Chairman, South Station, Boston, Mass.

Trunk Line District Freight Committee—H. C. Burnett, Chairman, 143 Liberty St., New York City.

Central District Freight Committee—C. J. Brister, Chairman, Transportation Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Eastern District Coal & Coke Committee—E. H. Crossley, Chairman, Reading Terminal, Philadelphia, Pa.

Central District Coal & Coke Committee—J. O. Vennings, Chairman, Pennsylvania Station, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Director General invites the cooperation of the Shipping public in working out a satisfactory adjustment of freight rates on the higher level now necessary. All shippers have a duty to make suggestions as to the maintenance of established differentials or the readjustment of freight rates under General Order No. 38, may present their views through the freight traffic officers of the railroads serving them, but if shippers feel, after presenting such matters to their home roads that they want to view the freight committee for the territory or district involved will be glad to hear and consider any proposal or suggestion the shippers have to offer.

BUY WAR STAMPS NOW

ATTENTION, VOTERS!

I will be a candidate from Fulton county for Representative to the State Legislature on the Republican ticket, subject to the decision of the primaries on August 18. My business is farming, and I will be too busy doing my bit to help furnish food for the soldiers and our country's defense. I would like to talk it over with each of you; as that is impossible I will say this: If nominated and elected, I will do my very best to represent the interests of Fulton County.

C. K. MILLER.

Sewall's Halcyon Players, the popular tent show that visits Wauseon annually, are in Delta this week playing to crowded houses. They will be in Wauseon week of July 1.

DISASTROUS FIRE

A fire that swept away a home and came near taking the barn with it occurred last Saturday at about noon. The dwelling house on the H. H. Hough farm, which is now occupied by his father, who had been living alone in the house, with the entire contents, were entirely consumed and it was only by the most strenuous efforts on the part of neighbors who gathered that the barn was saved. Mr. Hough Sr. started his dinner cooking on an oil stove and then went away from the house to attend to some work on which he was engaged. When he returned a little later he found the house a mass of flames. Help came quickly but it was impossible to save the house, so they turned their attention to the barn standing back of the house. Several times fire started on the roof of the barn, but by the efforts of those who were there it was extinguished each time before it could gain much headway. To make matters more difficult, the well is located between the house and the barn and so near the burning house that it was impossible to operate the pump on account of the intense heat. The automobiles were pressed into service to carry water in milk cans from distant wells.

The house was insured, but not the contents. Mr. Hough has the sympathy of the community in his loss.

BUY WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

COUNTY BUSINESS

Cases in the Probate Court—Marriage Licenses—Real Estate Transfers—Orders Drawn on Treasury—New Cases in Common Pleas Court.

Warrants Issued

Wm. Bowden, ditch work, Doer No. 1182\$60.00

W. H. Anderson Co., law books, prosecuting attorney15.00

Columbus Blank Book Mfg. Co., typewriter desk, probate judge50.00

Dayton Blank Book & Ptg. Co., supplies, office6.55

B. B. Ford, freight and car service, road No. 3538.79

Lyon Lumber Co., supplies, rd. No. 3575.30

McManus-Turner Co., surveyor13.85

L. D. Mowrey, J. P., collecting delinquent pers. tax1.00

F. E. Prickett & Co., supplies, road repair74.62

Russell & Son, same20.82

Religion Typewriter Co., supplies, office1.75

Theodore Sebring, services, soldier's relief com.9.50

T. & L. R. Co., light, court house21.61

Toledo Stone & Glass Sand Co., stone, road repair95.50

F. S. Wolcott, services, soldier's relief com.21.00

Chas. E. Bennett, med. serv. inf. 115011.50

Chas. E. Bennett, putting up awnings2.50

W. H. Baldwin, groceries, out-house21.00

R. P. Carpenter, same57.55

The Corkins Chemical Co., supplies, infirmary25.00

Whitlock Garage, same39.39

Standard Oil Co., oil, infirmary32.52

T. & L. R. Co., light, inf.68.81

Gray Bros., estimate No. 7, rd. No. 77800.00

J. E. Coon, part est. No. 13, road No. 14500.00

Farmers & Merchants Bank, ditch work, Jacob Perkins60.00

Emil Rueger, inspector road No. 48420.00

Read & Wager, supplies, treas. and infirmary17.80

E. C. Hoch, soldier's relief com. fees7.00

Gray Bros., estimate No. 1, ICH 29, A-1755.11

C. L. Allen, Memorial day expenses, Stout Post17.25

E. D. Schadt, car coal, infirmary289.05

Ira Acton, est. No. 2, road No. 62500.00

Emmie Geer, mother's pension10.00

Jennie Mack, same10.00

Martha A. Schrock, same20.00

Carrie L. Williams, same9.00

Heist & Hill, repairs and 3-sec. narrow, infirmary59.12

Elmore Robinson, mother's pension15.00

Jesse A. Lane, papering at jail12.50

M. E. Buck, mother's pension12.50

W. J. Leininger, fertilizer, binder twine, etc., infirmary93.07

Lewis Gifford, sheep claim and fines80.40

Remington Typewriter Co., supplies45

Jennie Grime, mother's pension12.00

W. A. Kraus, tile, road repair5.20

Carrie Zimmerman, mother's pension8.00

Anna Hart, same9.00

W. E. Todd, serving ditch notices6.00

H. B. Kiefer, part sec. 1, Gorham, 1166150.00

Barber Asphalt Co., part estimate No. 1, road No. 50256.33

Toledo Stone & Glass Sand Co., part estimate No. 13, road No. 14216.07

The Asphalt Slag Co., same983.93

Julia A. Donnelly, mother's pension8.00

Real Estate Transfers

Huebner Toledo Brewery Co. to Laurie J. Keith, lots 67 and 68, Seward\$1

Heirs of Lee Lester to Crandall D. Lester, 97 acres sec. 7, Gorham1

Jonas McCrillis to C. J. McCrillis, 16 acres, sec. 9, Gorham1

Albert and John Linehan and Frank Pfaff to M. John Linehan and Frank Pfaff, 80 acres sec. 36, and 2 acres sec. 35, Fulton twp.1

O. E. Sommers to Victoria Sommers, undivided 1/4 of 40 acres, sec. 12, Swan Creek1

Geo. E. Sullivan to W. E. Lester, lot 19, Sargent's add., Delta1

N. F. Carmon to C. B. Kieler, lots 32 and 35, Sargent's add., Delta1

D. K. Shooner to Flora A. Wadell, part lots 152, 176, and 177, Wauseon1

Frank Larned to H. H. and Alsie Hough, lot 12, Howard's 2nd add., Wauseon1

Delphine M. Rinkard to C. L. Allen, west 5 feet lots 1 and 2, bk. 2, Fayette1

New Cases in Court

Mary H. and Effie A. Taylor vs. Catherine Woolace et al. Quiet title.

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FOR MAY MILK

Fulton and Henry County Dairymen Receive \$84,395.72 for May Milk

— J. Chamberlain Draws Largest Check, \$340.95—List of Checks for \$50.00 or More.

J. Rufenacht\$20.62

S. P. Beck146.69

Henry Rice177.72

F. B. Barmes68.05

Jim G. Robinson69.81

Vonier & Blair60.26

Wm. Ponzi80.60

Menno Rychener123.65

C. G. Robinson81.24

F. E. Hochstetler85.74

J. Zumfelde50.09

Ham & Frank126.15

Sigg & Molen160.12

J. Chamberlain340.95

C. L. Shaffer54.62

Elmer Vonier91.50

Mrs. J. Baumgartner78.44

Rychener & Bays126.17

S. Orndorf59.47

D. L. Pennington157.98

Wm. Keough97.00

Chas. Gype75.83

Wm. Bender82.95

Wm. Staeteman70.56

Wm. Franzer82.79

Wm. Strayer112.20

A. Williams77.79

Albert Flory130.71

Tompkins & Darby164.09

Fred Whitcomb84.32

Fred Bannister & Son129.00

Reb. Gersuch61.83

J. Yoder114.39

A. M. Burkholder115.30

A. Kutzli61.64

Wm. Miller50.84

Reb. Gersuch61.83

M. J. Whitcomb80.05

Lloyd Myers63.63

M. C. Pontious74.74

W. H. Bender122.69

W. H. Bender166.41

B. Borton106.62

Bender & Patterson141.88

C. E. Bigelow63.27

R. J. Snuffer73.83

James & Frazier116.34

Kenneth Lawrence66.02

Ray Gifford71.95

E. Smellie72.43

R. J. Snuffer50.55

Ben Leininger64.89

Albert Kisser58.97

Mrs. A. Miller79.78

O. B. Kreiger60.38

W. H. Cochran68.06

R. S. Blair92.41

Artemus Gamble99.94

B. B. Huffman72.43

Wm. Schroeder116.42

G. A. Leu91.96

A. J. Roth89.38

Wm. Wolf82.50

Fred Schang90.83

Emil Griser71.95

Geo. Rashley141.81

Joe Leininger71.21

Smith & Smith74.40

R. S. Blair118.30

M. F. Jones79.19

Guilford & Rockwell89.67

W. C. Crocker89.67

A. M. Clark111.22

C. B. Carter172.05

J. Kiesel126.27

U. S. Holman50.75

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R. C. KNITTERS, ATTENTION!

During the past week 391 nurses enrolled for the Red Cross service from the Lake Division alone. The showing of student nurses is also encouraging. This is only the beginning, however, and nurses will be in constant demand to meet the needs of the government.

One thousand six hundred and ninety-nine families of enlisted men were given assistance by the Home Service of the Lake Division Red Cross during the month of May.

The fact that Fulton county must furnish 2,000 pairs of socks and 100 sweaters by the first of September, means that every knitter must be at work. In the directions published last week the heel direction should have read "knit one row and purl one row for 22 rows," instead of "knit 2 and purl 2." From this time all heels and wristlets must be of khaki instead of gray. Do all casting on and binding off loosely.

One of the most curious contributions that has ever reached the American Red Cross is that of \$18.75 from the Chinese Sunday school in California to be used for the benefit of Chinese soldiers in France.

Reports of Branches and Auxiliaries

Fayette—Thirty-two caps, 60 pillows, 14 pajama suits, 5 handkerchiefs, 5 refugee garments, 18 bed shirts.

Delta—Twenty-five housewives.

Northwest York—Four bed shirts.

West Barre—Fifteen comfort bags, 2 pairs of socks, 2 sweaters, 5 pajama suits.

Lyon—Four sweaters, 1 pair wristlets, 21 pairs socks, 15 housewives, 2 helmets, 2 pinafores, 1 petticoat, 2 boys' blouses, 18 bed shirts.

Swanton—Two quilts, 2 layettes, 11 comfort bags, 11 housewives; 50 abdominal, 60 triangular, 45 many-tails, 65 T, 60 four-tailed bandages; 12 pillow cases, 143 operating caps, 4 hot bottle covers, 143 pairs slippers.

Ambrose—Twenty muslin bed shirts, 1 layette (Union suit).

Archbold—Ten pairs socks.

Eighteen pairs trench slippers, 3 pairs ward slippers, 100 shot bags, 150 triangular and 80 T bandages.

Donations

One layette, Miss Newton, Wauseon; one leather lined vest, Miss Ragan, Tedrow.

FULTON GRANGE

Last regular meeting June 15. A large number of the members attended the picnic at the Fair grounds.

Program for next meeting, June 27: Song—'Our Flag'—By Grange.

Sketch of Captain Molly Pritchett.

End George.

Sketch of Betsey Ross—"History of Our Flag"—Ethel Mann.

Discussion—"How Can Farmers Prepare for Peace in Time of War?"—Frank Sams, Bert Sharp.

Recitation—"Donald Robinson Music"—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mann.

Paper—"Mrs. James Williams 'Were the Good Old Times Better Than the Good New Times?'"—Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Wolcott.

Recitation—"Marjorie Sams Grange News"—Earl Morr.

Song—"By Grange"

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COUNCIL MEETING

New Traffic Ordinance Passed—First Reading of Ordinance to Grant Franchise for Natural Gas—Ordinance to Improve Alley—Joint Meeting With Clinton Township Trustees.

The first business before the council last Monday night after the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was the passage of the new Traffic Rules and Regulations. The committee presented its report in the form of an ordinance which was placed on its first reading; amendments were made, and under suspension of the rules the ordinance was placed upon its second and third readings and passed. It was later decided to publish the ordinance in booklet form for distribution among owners and drivers of vehicles.

A matter concerning the crossing of a corner of the garden lot of Dora Dye with a sewer ditch by Mr. Luther Shade was brought before the council by Councilman George E. Gersuch. Referred to the city solicitor, Mr. Paxson gave it as his opinion that the matter was outside the jurisdiction of the council and was purely a private matter between the parties interested.

Mr. H. A. Dempsey, who is the head of the organization engaged in having the oil well drilled on the Shaffer farm southwest of town, was present and presented an ordinance to give a franchise to Mr. Dempsey to lay mains and pipes in the village of Wauseon for the purpose of obtaining natural gas to consumers in the village. The ordinance was placed on its first reading. Among the important provisions of the franchise is a rate of 52 cents per thousand cubic feet of gas, with a discount of two cents if bills are paid within ten days of the time they are due; this rate to be in effect for five years. Pipes are to be laid wherever there is an average of one customer to each 100 feet of pipe. Mr. Dempsey is very sure of being able to provide gas to supply Wauseon in abundance, and says that he has the assurance that at least one factory of importance will locate in Wauseon when he has succeeded in placing natural gas in this village. He is anxious to have the matter adjusted as soon as possible in order that he may proceed with putting down the necessary wells this season.

Mr. Stuckey was present to request that tile be put down for sanitary sewer outlet which runs through a portion of his farm; the request was referred to the sewer committee and the street commissioner, with power to act.

The Trustees of Clinton township were present and went into joint session with the council to consider the report of the building committee on repairs on the township and city building, which are imperative. The trustees were informed of the demands of the State Board of Health for the placing of toilets in the building, the necessity of placing a heating plant in the building and repairing the same.

GATES-OVERMYER

Mrs. Fanny L. Gates and Silas B. Overmyer were united in marriage Tuesday evening, June 8, at the home of and by the Rev. Frank E. Kenyon. Congratulations are in order. Every one in the community wishes our genial and efficient fire chief and his wife a long, happy, and prosperous married life.

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CONVERSION OF LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

To holders of 3 1/2 per cent Gold Bonds of 1932-41 or the First Liberty Loan; 4 per cent Convertible Gold Bonds of 1932-47 of the First Liberty Loan Converted; and 4 per cent Convertible Gold Bonds of 1927-42 of the Second Liberty Loan.

All persons who have purchased bonds of the First or Second Liberty Loan may have them converted by presenting them to the banks and signifying their desire to have the conversion made.

These bonds will be converted into bonds bearing the rate of 4 1/4 per cent interest with maturity the same as the bonds you now hold.

The bonds of the First Liberty Loan Converted and of the Second Liberty Loan, which bear 4 per cent interest, must be converted within six months from May 9, or the conversion privilege is lost.

The government has requested that no bonds be presented for conversion until after the first of July, 1918. The expense of conversion must be borne by the holder of the bonds, no provision having been made by the government to pay any expense incurred.

If you desire to convert your bond you must act promptly.